

## OUTREACH NOTICE



***Boise National Forest, Lowman Ranger District  
Forester (Presale), GS-0460-9***

The Boise National Forest will soon be advertising a Forester (Presale) position, GS-0460-9. This position is a permanent full time position and the duty station is located in Lowman, Idaho.

***Anyone interested in further information or in receiving a copy of the vacancy announcement when it opens is advised to contact North Zone Timber Management Assistant, Michael (Keith) Dimmett at 208-382-7430 or [mdimmett@fs.fed.us](mailto:mdimmett@fs.fed.us).***

PLEASE NOTE: The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position and to establish the appropriate recruitment method, job series, and area of consideration for the advertisement. Responses received from this outreach notice will be relied upon to make this determination. Please respond to this outreach by **October 7, 2013**.

Interested individuals should complete the attached outreach response form. This ensures that you will receive notification when the vacancy announcement is posted on [www.usajobs.com](http://www.usajobs.com).

## THE POSITION

The duties of the position include:

- Serves as one of two Presale Foresters on the North Zone of the Boise National Forest responsible for all phases of timber sale preparation for traditional timber sales, stewardship projects, and special forest products such as houselog and fuelwood sales.
- Evaluates and analyzes the project sale folder information and conducts a preliminary field reconnaissance. Assembles and reviews the timber sales contract package. Determines, plans and arranges for the resources needed to complete the layout of sales. Identifies and verifies the land status and environmental constraints affecting layout of the proposed project on the ground. Reviews, compiles and analyzes field data.
- Completes environmental assessment reports and environmental impact statements.
- Prepares and ensures quality of documentation such as detailed maps, timber sale appraisals, timber sales write up, advertisements, prospectus, and sample contracts for the sale. Arranges for interviews of prospective purchasers and explains contract clauses, road development, and cutting practices.
- Monitors and oversees cruising and marking of timber and prepares general logging plans and verifies logging system settings. Utilizing appropriate document, determines sale boundaries, proper location of logging roads, acceptable marking and cutting methods, stumpage prices, and the requirements for brush disposal, erosion control, and stand

improvement. Prepares a summary of all records acceptable for final appraisal, sale contract preparation, and subsequent timber management activities.

- Coordinates workload and priorities with the North Zone Timber Management Assistant located on the adjacent Cascade Ranger District.

The Lowman, Cascade, and Emmett Ranger Districts form the North Zone Sale Preparation Organization on the Boise National Forest. The North Zone and South Zone Organizations on the forest combine for an annual timber sale program of roughly 20 MMBF. Given the zone organization, the incumbent will be expected to have the ability to work independently with minimal supervision. In addition, depending upon workload priorities, the incumbent may be required to work off-district on a regular basis.

## **LOCATION AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

Lowman, Idaho, located 75 miles north of the Idaho state capital in Boise, is a small mountain community situated along the South Fork of the Payette River. Recreation opportunities abound. Depending on the season, you may camp, hike, ride for miles on horseback, bike, motorcycle, or ATV on beautiful trails; fish, hunt, cross-country ski, or snowmobile. The South Fork of the Payette River is considered one of the premier kayaking and rafting waters in the country and the district shares borders with both the Sawtooth SNRA and the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

There are approximately 200 year-round residents in the community with the population increasing in the summer months. There is a one-room elementary school for grades K-6. Grades 7-12 ride a bus 24 miles to a new school in Garden Valley. One non-denominational church is located in Lowman which conducts Sunday services year-round. Several community churches, including a Catholic church and an LDS church, are located in Garden Valley.

The Lowman Ambulance is staffed by local volunteer EMTs and is available 24 hours a day. The closest medical clinic is located in Garden Valley, which is staffed with an MD. There is also a local volunteer fire department that serves the Lowman community. Businesses located in Lowman include two motels, two cafes/restaurants, and two gas stations.

Government housing is available with this opportunity, although it may be limited to single family, commuter, and crew quarters. There are few private homes or mobile homes for sale or rent in the immediate vicinity, although there are numerous homes available in the nearby communities of Garden Valley and Crouch, approximately 24 miles from the District office.

# OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

**Please respond by October 7, 2013.**

If you are interested in applying for this position and want to receive updates of the position's status, please complete the attached outreach form and send electronically to [mdimmett@fs.fed.us](mailto:mdimmett@fs.fed.us):

I am interested in the following position:

Position Title/Series/Grade: Forester (Presale) GS-0460-9

Location: Region 4, Boise National Forest, Lowman Ranger District, Lowman, Idaho

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

e-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a Federal employee? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes:

Current title/series/grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Current agency and location: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Appointment:

Permanent \_\_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary \_\_\_\_\_

If you are not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities:

Person with Disabilities: \_\_\_\_\_

Former Peace Corps \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Career Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterans Readjustment: \_\_\_\_\_

Disabled veteran w/30% \_\_\_\_\_

Compensable Disability: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterans Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Opportunities Act of 1988: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_